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In re Application of Steve Somers) May 12, 2003
Serial No. 10/007,189) Request For Examination
Filed 11-8-01) Group Art Unit 3723
For Socket Wrench) Examiner James Smith

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicant, through his attorney, hereby requests the continued examination of the above application with the entry of the amendment filed April 3, 2003, a copy of which is here enclosed. That entry was previously refused in an Advisory Action mailed April 24, 2003 because it allegedly raised new issues. It is believed that these previously not entered amended claims more clearly patentably distinguish over the prior art than did the correspondingly numbered claims which the Examiner believed were unclear, for the reasons explained in the REMARKS portion of this not entered amendment, supplemented by the Remarks made in the accompanying response to this Advisory action.

This response to the advisory action also makes a minor amendment which eliminates a typographical error in claim 8 and adds a new claim 15 drawn to a wrench assembly made up of the wrench parts specified in claim 8 to which is added the drive member means which is to be inserted into a selected end of the wrench. The present response also adds a new claim 16 depending upon claim 8 and which adds to this claim 8 this drive means,

I enclose a check in the amount of \$375 covering the cost of this Request For Continued Examination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive ink that appears to read "Russell E. Hattis".

Russell E. Hattis

(Applicant's Attorney)

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